## STATE OF COLORADO

## DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY Department of Natural Resources

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August 19, 2013

Saguache County Board of Commissioners P.O. Box 655 Saguache, CO 81149

RE: Southway Construction Company, Inc., Stage Stop Pit, Permit M-1984-025, Notice of Request for Temporary Cessation Status.

Dear Board of County Commissioners,

This notice is to inform you of the intent of Southway Construction Company, Inc. to put the abovereferenced mining operations into a state of temporary cessation (TC). This notice is sent pursuant to the requirement of Construction Materials Rule 1.13.6 (1) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

Please be advised that on July 22, 2013, Southway Construction Company, Inc., whose address is 117 White Pine Drive, Alamosa, CO 81101, filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the Stage Stop Pit permitted mining operation. The mining operation is located in Section 20, Township 45 N, Range 6 W, in Saguache County.

The first period of temporary cessation will commence on August 1, 2013 and will last up to five years from that date, and expire no later than August 1, 2018. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the mine in a non-producing or non-development state.

The Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the monthly agenda of the September 18-19, 2013 meeting of the Mined Land Reclamation Board. During that meeting, the Board may consider acceptance of the notice so long as there are no issues with performance or reclamation standards via inspection, file review, and no concerns are expresses by interested persons who would be adversely affected or aggrieved.

<u>Please submit written comments regarding the matter to the Division by no later than 5:00 pm, September 17, 2013</u>.

If you need additional information please contact me at the Division's Durango Field Office: 691 CR 233, Room A-2, Durango, CO 81301, by telephone at 970-247-5193, or by e-mail at <u>bob.oswald@state.co.us</u>.

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Sincerely,

mil Bob

Bob Oswald Environmental Protection Specialist

Attachment: Notice of Temporary Cessation

Cc: Roy Burtraw, Southway Construction Company, Inc., Alamosa Russ Means, DRMS, Grand Junction

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Notice of Temparary Cessation

CO Mine # M1984025

Date TC to start, 8/1/2013

No project in forseable future at this site.

Mining to resume when project becomes avalable

Normal upkeep to continue.

Bond remains in place.

Annual report filed and fee paid.

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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION MINING AND SAFETY

Roy Burtraw

Safety Officer